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Tea Will Be Given At The Compton Home Russian War Relief

Announcement is made that there will be a public tea on the lawn and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Compton, 124 Main street, on Wednesday afternoon, from 3 to 5 o'clock, September 2, for the benefit of the Russian War Relief Fund. The public are cordially invited and it is hoped that there will be a large patronage to swell the fund to purchase medical supplies and emergency needs for the sick and wounded of the Russian armies. A very small fee will be asked of those attending and an opportunity given to contribute more if anyone so desires.

Citizens of the town are urged to come and spend a social hour and it is also hoped that our summer guests will attend, especially those of the Rustic Ridge colony. A committee of local women, headed by Mrs. Allen H. Wright, will serve as hostesses to assist Mrs. Compton.

This function will aid the program of the State committee on Russian War Relief of which Edward C. Carter is National Chairman and Dr. Serge Koussevitzky is Honorary Chairman in Massachusetts, with Dr. Hugh Cabot, Chairman. The appeal to assist should be promptly met in Northfield.

Wood-Martineau

Miss Elva Josephine Martineau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Martineau of South Vernon, and Corp. Roland Geisner Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Wood of Leyden, were married last Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents with Rev. John H. Blackburn of West Brattleboro officiating. The couple stood on the lawn beneath an arch of evergreens from which was suspended a white wedding bell, with a background of garden flowers and gladioli. The interior of the house was decorated with garden flowers and gladioli. Irving J. Lawrence was the organist.

The bride wore a gown of marquisette made in princess style and a fingertip veil caught with a corsage of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses and white sweet peas. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Mrs. Harold Thayer, sister of the bride, was matron of honor and wore a gown of pink marquisette and carried pink sweet peas with a coronet of pink sweet peas in her hair. Howard Wood of Leyden, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Henry Martineau, brother of the bride, was usher.

Mrs. Samuel Martineau, mother of the bride, wore a street length dress of old rose flowered silk with a corsage of white gardenias. Mrs. Wood, the bridegroom's mother, wore blue crepe with white accessories. Her corsage was white gardenias.

The bride is a graduate of Northfield high school, class of 1938, and from Castleton Normal school in 1940. She is a member of Alpha Lambda Beta fraternity. She has a position as teacher in Leyden. The bridegroom is a graduate of Arms Academy, at Shelburne Falls and is a corporal in the medical corps, stationed at Fredericksburg, Va.

Following a reception and wedding luncheon to many guests the couple left on a wedding trip.

Winchester Direct Mail

Direct mail pouch service has been established between the Northfield Post Office and the Winchester, N. H., Post Office, effective as of August 24. There will be two direct dispatches a day at 10 a. m. and at 4 p. m. Pouches will arrive from Winchester at 11:45 a. m. and 5:45 p. m. This service has been inaugurated by the Northfield Post Office for the many patrons who are doing business with the Winchester National Bank. This will be a much faster and safer way of handling mail in that the pouches are not opened in transit, and are not routed through other towns. It is expected that many of the local residents will avail themselves of this service.

Teachers Gill Schools

The public schools of Gill will open for the school year on the same schedule of the Northfield schools and the teachers, who have been engaged, are as follows: Riverside: Miss Marion Gee and Miss Mary Elizabeth Wood; North school, Mrs. Ruth Bolton; Sunnyside, Mrs. Grace Browning.

Ship Was Torpedoed Northfield Boy Safe Promoted to Lieut.

Ensign William W. Askren, now 25 years of age, a son of Mrs. Alice B. Askren of Ann Arbor, Mich., a former resident of Northfield, is safe and back in the United States, after his ship was torpedoed and sunk by an Axis submarine in the Caribbean on July 13, it has just been learned. From a Caribbean port, Ensign Askren had sent his mother a cable, stating simply that he was "safe," but the message was not fully understood until upon his arrival in New York, he called on the phone for a conversation. No details were given of the ship or



ENSIGN WILLIAM W. ASKREN

the sinking, or of his rescue, save that the gun crew of which he was in charge were all saved but that he had lost everything he had with him, and needed a new uniform. Nothing more could be learned of his new assignment. Ensign Askren graduated from Annapolis in 1940 and has seen considerable sea service. He had been to Icelandic waters on duty and also to Australia.

As has been mentioned in the Press previously, he has a brother in the army, another in the navy, and two brothers in the Near East. Information now also comes that Ensign Askren has been promoted and is a Lieutenant, junior grade.

After his arrival in Northfield from Fayoum, Egypt, as a boy, the lieutenant attended the schools of this town and then went to Mount Hermon school, after which he entered Ann Arbor University and then Annapolis.

He has many friends here, and local citizens will well remember the family, who lived above Wampanoag Pond on the Winchester Highway and which property they still own. Although William made his home with his mother at Ann Arbor, Northfield can also claim him inasmuch as he has frequently visited here during the summer season and vacation period. A host of his friends will now follow the career of Lieut. Askren with much interest and concern.

Instructor in Army And Now 2nd Lieut.

Richard L. Watson, Jr., who was inducted into the service while an instructor at Duke University and sent to Camp Eustis, has made advancement through the various grades and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery. After taking his course of instruction, he has been returned to Fort Monroe, Va., to teach prospective officers. It is expected that Lieut. Watson will visit his parents, Prof. and Mrs. Richard A. Watson at their home here on the Winchester road, early in October.

Four Sons In Service

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Plotczyk of West Northfield, whose farm is just across the Schell bridge, have now four sons in the service of the government. Raymond Plotczyk is just being inducted into the army and has reported for duty. Valentine Plotczyk enlisted in the navy and is stationed at Pensacola, Florida. Francis Plotczyk is with the engineering corps located at San Francisco and John Plotczyk is with the signal corps at Miami, Florida. Here is a notable response of patriotism and loyalty and the many friends of the family in this town will follow the career of these young men with much interest.



Receives The Degree Doctor Philosophy

Rev. Dr. J. L. Peacock, minister of the Federated Church at Saxtons River, Vt., and a summer resident of Rustic Ridge for many years, with his sister-in-law, Miss Carrie F. Arnold, are at State College, Penn., to attend the summer commencement there and where his son, Leishman Arnold Peacock, received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English on Thursday. Beside carrying on his studies for the degree, Leishman has served as a teacher at the college. He has specialized in American literature. There are seven members of the immediate family of Dr. Peacock and they hold 17 degrees. The father has four, the two sons each three, and the daughter, two. The "in-laws" make up the rest.

Marion L. Flagg

Mrs. Marion L. Flagg, 46, wife of Almon D. Flagg of Bernardston, died Sunday afternoon at the Franklin County Hospital following an operation. She was born in Gill, June 11, 1896, a daughter of Charles and Nettie Abbott. She attended the schools in that town and her parents moved to Northfield where she attended Northfield Seminary.

She was married Oct. 23, 1919, by Rev. Francis Pattison of the Congregational Church, and with her husband went to Greenfield to live for a few years and then moved to Bernardston. Mrs. Flagg was a member of the Goodale Church and of the Grange. Surviving are her husband and eight children, Alfred Charles, Doris Louise, Robert Dana, Lillian Elizabeth, Douglas James, Allen Richard, Marguerite Florence, and Norman Leslie Flagg, all of Bernardston, also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abbott of Brattleboro.

The funeral was held at the Goodale Church, Tuesday afternoon with the pastor, Rev. A. L. Truesdell, officiating. Burial was in the Bernardston Center cemetery.

Charles Dwight Clark

Charles Dwight Clark of this town, who recently had become ill and was taken to the Farren Memorial hospital for treatment, died there on Tuesday morning at the age of 92 years. For many years Mr. Clark had lived alone in a small house off the old Wendell road. He had no close relatives. He was born in the town of Becket and his wife, Mary Pollard Clark, died in 1936. The funeral service was held Thursday afternoon at Kidders Funeral parlor with Rev. Arthur Heeb of the Unitarian Church officiating.

Sugar Now For Suppers

Religious, civic, educational, charitable, benevolent and social welfare organizations may now secure sugar to serve complete meals. It is announced by Regional Rationing Executive Shoup. Conditions, however, imposed is that the meal must be complete and used to obtain funds for the organization and that the meal must be available to non-members. The organization must be a permanent organization and the meal service consistent with the character of the organization.

William F. Townsend Ridge Resident Dies

William Franklin Townsend of Flushing, N. Y., and a summer resident of Rustic Ridge for the past 37 years, died suddenly on Thursday of last week, August 20th at the Franklin County Hospital at the age of 68 years. He was a designing and consulting engineer and was one of the leading tunnel experts in the country. Before his retirement several years ago, he designed the shield for the Detroit-Windsor, (Canada) vehicular tunnel under the Detroit river. He designed the land tunnels for the Ford factories at Detroit and was also on the consulting staff for the shaft of the Holland tunnel at New York. He had made his home in Flushing for the past 30 years. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Jane Townsend, the former Jeanette Theresa Mitchell Conley; two daughters, Mrs. Leon L. Kotzebe of Carmel, California, and Miss Jeanette Townsend; two sons, Albert George Townsend and Edward Lean Townsend; also three grandchildren, Marjorie Jane Townsend, Duzan Mae Townsend and Edward Lean Townsend, Jr.

The funeral services were held at Kidders Funeral parlors on Saturday, with Rev. Dr. Arthur L. Berger of the Elmwood Presbyterian Church of Syracuse, N. Y., officiating, and with the benediction by Rev. Philip Phelps, retired pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church of Cohoes, N. Y. Interment was in the Center cemetery here with Rev. Dr. W. H. Bollman of the Reformed Church of Lancaster, Pa., giving the prayer.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Bollman, Dr. Wesley C. Atkins of Trenton, N. J., W. D. Anderson of Tottenville, N. Y., Dr. Walter Chapin of New Rochelle, N. Y., and Samuel E. Walker of this town.

Rationing Board Makes More Grants

The local Rationing Board has issued certificates to Melvin Miller for one new truck tire and tube; Edward Powell, two retreads passenger tires and tubes; Charles Repeta, two obsolete passenger tires; Northfield Washed Sand and Gravel Co., four retread passenger tires and tubes; Philip Mann, Sr., two retread passenger tires. The board advises that the bulk coupons for filling stations have been received and are available.

Given Gift Shower

A gift shower was tendered, as a surprise, to Miss Naomi Rikert of Mount Herman at the home of a neighbor, Mrs. Charles Mayberry, last week. The gathering of many of her friends was in honor of her approaching marriage to Russell Minott of Greenfield, who is with the Ski Corps in the Army. Miss Rikert had been invited into the Mayberry home and then beheld the familiar faces of her associates with amazement. Presents were presented to her in the form of a huge wedding cake, decorated with silver hearts and white crepe paper. A social evening followed and refreshments were served.

Public Schools Open Wednesday, Sept. 9 Some New Teachers

The public schools of Northfield will open on Wednesday, September 9, and both the high school and Center school buildings have been thoroughly cleaned and painted and present an attractive appearance. The proverbial school bell of song and story is missing, but in its stead the horn of an approaching school bus will be heard to transport the many pupils.

After the pupils have been seated on the first day and given their instructions in necessary matters, class sessions will begin immediately.

A call has been issued for a meeting of all teachers in Center school for a general teachers' meeting at 9:30 o'clock on Tuesday.



ROBERT N. TAYLOR
Superintendent of Schools

day, Sept. 8, and during the afternoon of that day they will be in their class rooms to confer with any parents who may have seeming problems to discuss with them. Families recently coming to town to reside, should arrange to meet the principals of the schools about the enrollment of their children.

There will be some new faces on the teaching staff, particularly in the high school, where Roland E. Currier becomes the principal, succeeding Richard A. Cobb who now holds an administrative job with the Northfield schools.

The organization of the schools for the ensuing year is as follows:

Superintendent of schools, Robert N. Taylor.
High school staff, Roland E. Currier, principal; teachers, science, Miss Evelyn G. Lawley; Latin and social studies, Miss Julia B. Austin; English and Spanish, Miss Beatrice M. Coleman; household arts, Miss Helen Jenkins; commercial, (still vacant).



ROLAND E. CURRIER
Principal High School

Center school staff, George M. Leonard, principal; teachers, Miss Dorothy G. Totman, assistant principal and in charge of fourth grade; Miss Marylynn Perkins, in charge of sixth, seventh and eighth grades for music and social studies; Miss Elizabeth G. Braley in charge of sixth, seventh and eighth grades for English; Miss Helen Irene Wozniak, in charge of fifth grade; Miss Mary E. Dalton, in charge of third grade; Miss Elizabeth Mae Alexander in charge of second grade and Miss Dorothy M. Giddings in charge of first grade. Mrs. Marion W. Goodspeed is the music supervisor.

Don't forget to notify the Editor of the Press of a change in your address immediately, so that the receipt of the Press may not be delayed. This is important. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Livingston and family of Highland avenue have just returned from a vacation spent at Lake Spofford.

The Gripsholm Is In Docked Tuesday Morn Durgins Passengers

The Gripsholm, steamship of the Swedish line, arrived at a pier in Jersey City, Tuesday morning, with the many passengers, from Laurence Marques, Africa, where they had been taken by a Japanese liner, to be exchanged for Japanese nationals which had left America. When the Gripsholm stopped at Rio de Janeiro, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Durgin, who were aboard, sent a letter by air mail to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle. The letter was received and since that time and up to Wednesday evening no additional information was forthcoming.

All passengers were held at New York for questioning. Mr. and Mrs. Lazelle anxiously awaited word and remained ready for any news, made public by phone, press or radio.

It is expected that the Durgins will come directly to Northfield when released and that after a short stay they will visit his relatives also. An opportunity will probably be afforded to greet both Mr. and Mrs. Durgin at the Lazelle home upon their arrival.

As we go to press we learn that Mrs. Durgin phoned her mother very late on Wednesday evening that she had been released and was ready to make the journey home, but that Mr. Durgin was still aboard concluding some business matters. They were met at the pier by their sons, Russell Durgin, Jr., and Lawrence Durgin with his wife.

It is expected they will reach Northfield late Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lazelle are planning an informal reception to them for their friends on Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock and during the evening hours.

Committees Named To Govern Rustic Ridge

At the recently held annual meeting of the Rustic Ridge Association, in addition to the election of officers, there was named a number of committees, who will be expected to accomplish much during the coming year. Many improvements are contemplated and the connecting new road to be improved will add much to facilitate the traffic. The committees are as follows: Hospitality, Mrs. Harriette Bruce, Mrs. W. D. Anderson, Mrs. William Voorhies, Carlton L'Hommiedieu; mosquito, Mrs. Edna B. H. Jenkins, Miss Louise Roe, Gordon Willard; milk, Miss Lucy Jackson, Miss Alta Hale, Miss Alice Pedley; necrology, Rev. D. O. Cowles, Mrs. C. S. Cregar, Rev. A. C. Ackerman; roads, Thomas J. Duncan, George W. Carr, W. C. Atkins, William F. Townsend; social, Miss Mabel Livingston, Miss Ruth Card, Miss Maud Curtis, Mrs. P. B. Hallows, Rev. Robert A. Heidenreich; trees, Francis L. Jones, Mrs. Robert C. Aylesworth, Rev. William Deisser; waste removal, Mrs. Charles W. Wright, Miss Josephine Moody, Miss Therese Simar.

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CATS

Cats are impish elves that sit Wise and Buddha-like, and dream, Dreaming of the ancient days I decipher from their gaze.

Placid are they, yet not deaf To the stirring of a leaf, Passing zephyrs may frighten Or the mystic sounds of night.

There is beauty in a cat— Sleek and furry . . . sensuous; Eyes that shine, now green, now red, In an aristocratic head.

And a kitten with a ball Is an object of delight; Little paws that swiftly hie Aft a green leaf flitting by;

Paws that patter in your wake; Eyes that follow every move . . . Dogs no more loyal are than they, Nor more charming in their play.

Cats are impish elves that sit Purring with a deep content; They are dreaming of the days So reflected in their gaze.

—Salvatore Marsiglia, in Our Dumb Animals.

Many of our citizens witnessed the eclipse of the moon last Tuesday evening. The atmosphere was clear and the movement could be traced distinctly.

Congregational Church Rev. Merrill M. Moore To Preach Sunday

On Sunday, morning worship will be held at 11 o'clock. The preacher will be the Rev. Merrill Miles Moore, rector of Trinity Church, Bethlehem, Pa. All members of the community are invited to hear Mr. Moore, who is a native of Northfield as well as a summer visitor, and a speaker whom many have wished to welcome back to this pulpit.

At 7:30, Sunday evening, the last of the summer evening services will be held in the church. The Rev. James Robinson, pastor of the Church of the Master, a negro Presbyterian Church in New York city, will preach. Ruth-Elizabeth Field will be the soloist. Mr. Robinson is doing an outstanding piece of work in New York's Harlem area. His church serves a minority racial group in a neighborhood that is one of the danger spots in American life. He has a worth-while message.

The Christian Endeavor Society will hold a regular meeting at 6:30. The Rev. Mr. Robinson will speak and show colored moving pictures illustrating his work with negro young people and the Passion Play put on each year by his group. These pictures are of genuine interest to all.

The prayer meeting will be held on Thursday at 7:30 p. m., with Mr. Dahl in charge. The Bible study will include I Corinthians, chapter 6.

The choir rehearsal will be held on Thursday at 8:30 p. m.

The Sunday school will reopen after the summer vacation on Sunday morning, September 6th, at 10 o'clock. The school has been reorganized, and a new primary department including grades one to three will be conducted by Miss Amelia Hausmann. The two high school classes have been merged, and their teacher will be Mr. Dahl. Watch for further important announcement next week.

An Unusual Business

One of the most unusual businesses in the world — Burrelle's Press Clipping Bureau of New York city — was started in 1888 at the time of the great blizzard in New York city. Clippings were marked on the U. S. S. Battleship Maine being blown up in Havana Harbor—the assassination of President McKinley—the first successful airplane flight by the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk — and the San Francisco earthquake. When the steamship Titanic was sunk in 1912, Burrelle's furnished the clippings. During World War No. 1, press clippings were marked on General Foch and General Pershing.

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doubly welcome... and we know
you'll revel in our wide assortments

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TOWN TOPICS

Rev. Arthur Heeb of the local Unitarian Church was in attendance at the biennial Ministers' Institute, and the Unitarian Ministerial Union sessions which were held this week at the Stoneleigh Prospect school in Greenfield. Over a hundred Unitarian ministers from all parts of the United States and Canada were enrolled.

"Ted" Powell spent last week end in New York with friends and visited the Packard's at Rye, N. Y.

Edward M. Powell spent last week end in Washington where he was called in connection with his work to attend conferences on War Savings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence White and young son of Boston are on a visit with Mr. White's relatives in Salmon Falls, Idaho. Mrs. White was at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright here for last week end.

A check for \$5.25 was sent to War Fund Treasury at Greenfield this week by A. P. Pitt, chairman of the local committee, as an additional contribution from Northfield.

Director James M. Landis of the office of Civilian Defense has issued an order forbidding the use of the various OCD symbols in politics.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Parker of the Farms, with their daughter, Ann, spent a part of last week at Kennebunkport, Maine.

Pvt. Robert Russell, who has been home on a short furlough, has returned to his post at Miami, Florida.

Frank Tie, who is with the photo department of the army aviation section, has returned to his post at Jackson, Miss., after visiting his mother here.

Mrs. Kate L. Hammond of Northfield Farms observed her 80th birthday anniversary on Tuesday and many friends called or sent her greetings.

Norman Holloway, nine years old, and son of Mr. and Mrs. James Holloway of Glen road, suffered a broken leg when hit by a tractor Sunday morning. He was taken to Franklin County Hospital and attended to by Dr. Wright.

Edward L. Benney of Birnam road has gone to Fort Devens for training in the volunteer officers' class. He had been formerly employed at the Northfield hotel and was a member of Co. L, 22nd Infantry, state guard of Greenfield, where he was first cook.

Charles A. Harris, G. Peaslee Bond and William A. Nelson, formerly with the Youth Hotel headquarters staff, were visitors there over the week end. Peaslee Bond is waiting to be called to Norfolk for training as a photographer, second class, in the service.

The devoted young fiance had ordered two dozen roses to be sent to his loved one on her 24th birthday. "A rose for every precious year of your life," his card read.

Filling the order later, the florist threw in an extra dozen because the young fellow was one of his best customers. And the wedding hasn't taken place yet.

TRY PRESS CLASSIFIED ADS

West Northfield and South Vernon

The following teachers have been named for the Vernon schools: Mrs. Alice Dunklee at North school; Mrs. Ruth Holton at South school; Miss Annie Bills at West school; Mrs. Melvina Clark at Pond school; Mrs. Ruth W. Bolton at Center school.

The Down Homers of Keene, N. H., will present a program and a dance at the Vernon Grange hall, Friday evening for the benefit of the Vernon Union Church.

The 70 Club will hold its annual meeting at the Vernon Home this Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Supper will be at 5:30 by the members of the Mission Society. All persons 70 years of age and over are invited.

Mrs. Florence L. White will conclude her work as pastor of the South Vernon Church on Sunday. The morning service will be at 10:30 with sermon on "Wider Doors." Sunday school will be at 11:45. The Loyal Workers will have charge of the evening service at 7:30. Miss Gertrude Lewis of Quincy, a sister of Mrs. White, will give drawings, and her brother, Richard Lewis, who is at the Eastern Nazarene College in Wollaston, preparing for the ministry, will speak. There will be special music. Mrs. White will speak briefly. This will be a union service and all are invited.

There will be a rehearsal of the Junior Choir on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The choir will sing at the Sunday evening service.

Miss Hildegard Wentland of Bristol, Conn., is a guest of Miss Marion Tyler at her home here. Miss Wentland is a student nurse at Hartford hospital.

Miss Marion Tyler, who is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tyler for a vacation, will continue her nurse training at the Psychiatric Hospital at Cranston, R. I., and left today to begin her work.

Mrs. Florence White has returned from her vacation spent at South Hanson at Gordon Rest, a camp conducted by the Kings Daughters.

Philip Johnson of Boston spent last week end with his aunt, Mrs. Julia Austin. He is teaching at Wentworth Institute.

Miss Alma Dunklee observed her 18th birthday anniversary by giving a lawn party to her friends at her home last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith and Mrs. C. L. Smith and Mrs. R. E. Bruce.

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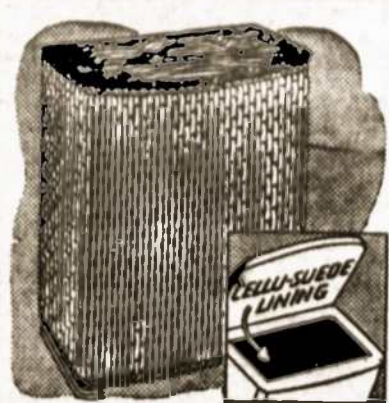
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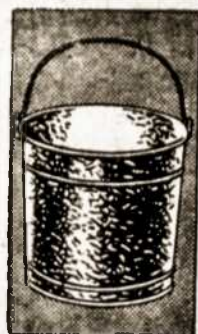
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AT DAWN

At dawn they changed the shore patrol,
I heard the bombers far away,
Converging. But, I also heard
The song with which a mocking-
bird
Salutes the breaking day.

He sang! Against the saffron
down,
His music rose and swelled and
spread

In silver fans—until its sound
Was merged and completely
drowned
By motors overhead.

I lay and heard the bombers pass
And watched the frightened
pigeons fly
From roofs. And then I heard a
trill...
The mockingbird was singing still
A rival to defy.

He had not left the Banksia rose
Which holds his nest. He did not
cease
To sing. He sang more loud and
high—
In challenge to the roaring sky—
His hymn of joy and peace.

—Kadra Maysi,
in Our Dumb Animals

Know Massachusetts by State Planning Board

DO YOU KNOW THAT...
The rent index of the Division of
Necessaries of Life shows that up
to July at least there had been
no change in the average rents in
Massachusetts since March 1, the
date set as the rent ceiling in cer-
tain counties. Since April 1940
the rent index had risen only 8
per cent. Average rent and rental
value of all non-farm homes in
the Commonwealth is now esti-
mated at about \$36 per month...
Of the 1,221,252 dwelling units
in Massachusetts recorded by the
1940 census, 1,120,694 were oc-
cupied, 38 per cent of them by
owners and 62 per cent by ten-
ants. About 63 per cent of the
homes in the Commonwealth were
mortgaged...
Dukes County,
which is Martha's Vineyard, and
the Elizabeth Islands, had the
highest proportion of home own-
ers to tenants of any county in

the Commonwealth... Massachusetts farmers in 1940 received \$27,000,000 for the milk they sold... In 1747 one historian, in discussing the cause of migration from the coastal area to the uplands of Massachusetts, explained "many move that they may have more room, thinking that we live too thick"... Massachusetts in

1939 had 494 hotels with a total of 27,422 rooms and gross receipts of \$26,798,000... The fall term of the Harvard University courses in City Planning will open September 28.

PRESS ADS — NONE BETTER
TRY PRESS CLASSIFIED ADS

The World's News Seen Through THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

An International Daily Newspaper
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TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. William Park and family returned to their home on Wednesday from a vacation spent with friends on Long Island, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Glover Johnson of Mount Hermon school, who have spent the summer with her relatives at Washington, are returning this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Randolph and family, who have spent the summer here with her mother, Mrs. David Tomkins of Winchester road, have returned to Westfield, N. J., their home.

Miss Grace Randall, who has been a teacher at the North school in Gill, has resigned in order to continue her work at the Pratt and Whitney plant in Hartford.

The Post Office Department is asking for proposals for renting quarters for the East Northfield Post Office for five or ten years to begin March, 1943.

Capt. William Marshall spent a furlough this week with his family. He is stationed at New London.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Carr are spending this week end with his relatives in New York State.

The only summer theatre operating within easy distance from Northfield this season is at Peterborough, N. H., but it is said that very few from here have been in attendance. In previous years both Brattleboro and Keene summer theatres have been largely patronized by our summer residents.

There was a most enthusiastic attendance at the reading given by Mrs. W. H. Bollman at the Curtis cottage last Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the Rustic Ridge road fund. Mrs. Bollman presented in an interesting manner the story of the "White Cliffs."

E. J. Calvaca made a trip to New York this week to attend to several matters of business.

Rev. and Mrs. William C. Roberts, who have been in Fryburg, Maine, are now located in Milford, Conn., at the Schermerhorn House. Mr. Roberts was a former resident of this town.

Don't forget that your sugar stamp No. 8 is now good for the purchase of five pounds of sugar and can be used through October 31st.

Rev. and Mrs. Miles Moore and their daughter, Betty Miles, will occupy their cottage on Maple street during this month. He is rector of Trinity Episcopal Church of Bethlehem, Pa. Miss Bessie Moore of White Plains, N. Y., has been at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jennie S. Moore since early July.

Miss Beatrice E. Fletcher of Toronto, Canada, who has spent a vacation of three weeks with Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Shaw of South Main street returned to her home this week. She is a sister of Mrs. Shaw.

Rev. Edward Dahl, pastor of the local Congregational Church, and Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister of Unitarian Church, officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Cora Lord Bufum in Winchester last week Thursday.

Mrs. George W. Carr accompanied her husband on the journey to Nantucket last week end, where the State Selectmen's Association held their annual session.

The political calendar announces that the state primaries will be held on Tuesday, September 15th, and the state election will be on Tuesday, November 3.

Prof. and Mrs. Horace H. Morse of Highland avenue are enjoying a vacation at Nantucket where quiet and rest prevails. They will remain there until the opening of Mount Hermon school.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright have returned from a vacation for rest during which they visited at Ogunquit on the Maine coast. The doctor has returned to his practice and reopened his office.

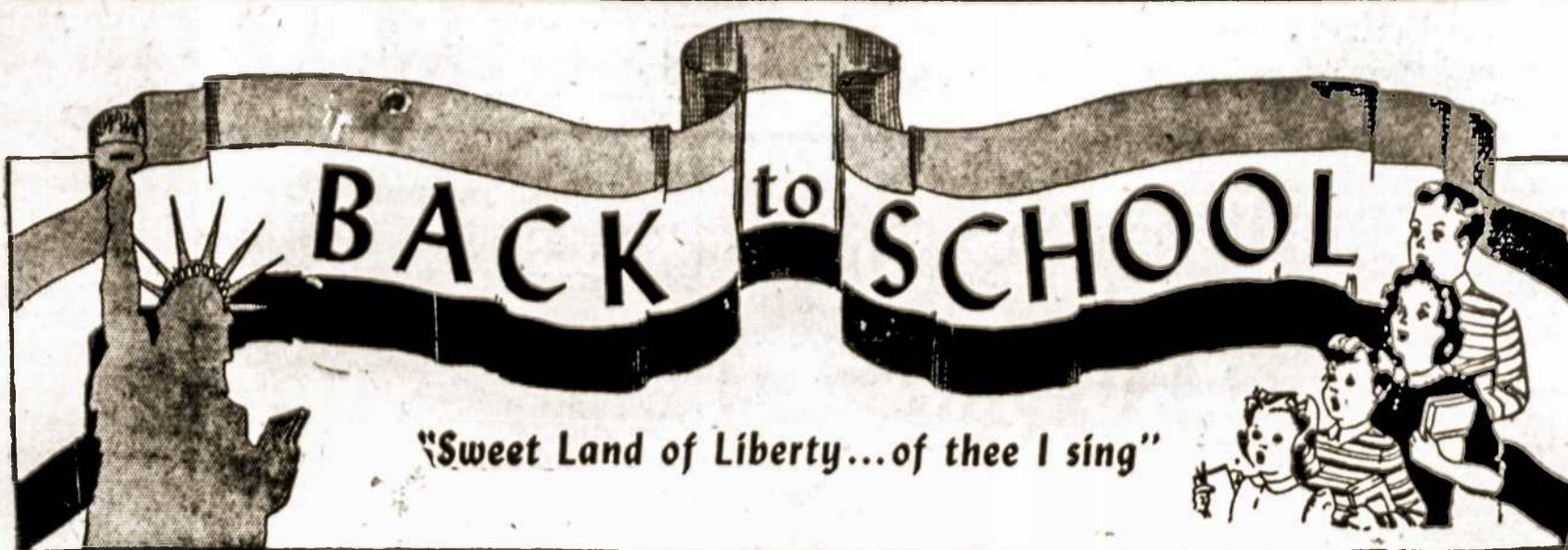
Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Gray and daughters, Lorraine and Dorothy, of Bellaire, N. Y., are visiting in town for their vacation. Mrs. Gray is a sister of Mrs. F. H. Briemaster.

A daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Mahoney in Cleveland, Ohio, on Saturday, August 22. Granddaughter to Rev. and Mrs. Ellis E. Jones. Mrs. Mahoney was the former Judith E. Jones.

Mrs. Mary Chapman of the Plains road has returned to her home from the Franklin County Hospital much improved. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. Kenneth Leach of the Northfield Farms on Thursday, August 20th at the Farren Memorial Hospital. Grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fish of Colrain and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Leach of this town.

Mrs. Winfred H. Whitaker of Main street is enjoying a visit with her sisters, all of whom have gathered in a vacation at Chatham, New Brunswick, Canada.

Miss Sybil Severance, who is a student nurse at the Deaconess Hospital in Boston, is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Severance of Birnam road.



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EDITORIAL

MOSQUITOES

The Editor was amused to read in the New York Times of last Sunday, the following item from Elizabeth, N. J.:

"Swarms of newly hatched mosquitoes, humming like a million tiny bombers, rose from the storm-flooded meadows in this area before dawn this morning, swooped down on sleeping residents of four counties and turned their beauty sleep into a weary torture of slapping, scratching and swatting."

Having lived in Jersey, with countless friends and relatives there, I hate to speak disparagingly of that great state, but surely Northfield offers nothing like it in competition.

MUST HELP PAY

The American people are at last learning one inescapable fact—everyone must help pay for this war.

The new tax bill goes down into income brackets never before reached. And, in the view of economists who deal with facts, it will not be long before the people of small and moderate means will have to be hit harder still. The people in the middle and high income brackets are already paying just about all the traffic will bear without total confiscation of income. We can't substantially increase taxes on industry without depriving it of the money that is vital to its program, expansion and economy. Nothing is left save to turn to the lower-income groups—and those groups are the groups which, for the most part, are receiving the bulk of the vastly increased purchasing power resulting from war expenditures.

The annual income tax will not be adequate. Some system for collecting taxes, in part, on a monthly basis will be put into effect. Dire necessity is also likely to force the passage of a general

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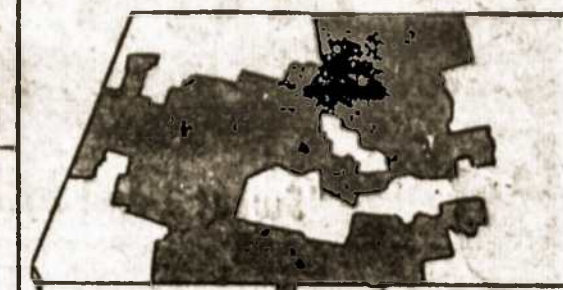
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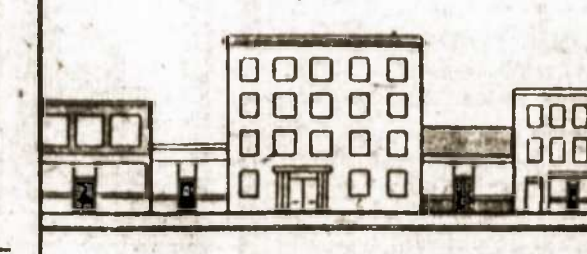
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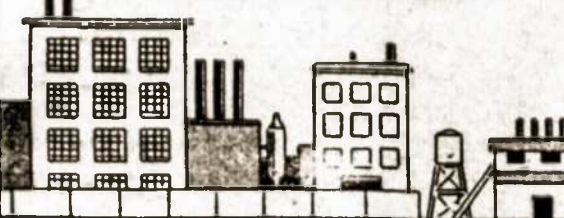
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Simon Invites Story

(By Walter O'Keefe)

Ten years ago I started out on my first radio commercial and since then I've been living in a world of options. Some of them were renewed, some of them were dropped, some of them were compromised. Every one of them, however, was interesting—to me, to my agent, to my family and to my banker.

Now I have sown a new crop of them and whether I'll ever harvest them in the autumn of my contracts will depend on the weather of popularity, the sunshine of my sponsor's smile and other conditions some of which are beyond my control.

The candid fact is that Walter was born less than 42 years ago. A swift computation will show that I was old enough to be in the Marines in the rehearsal for the present World War. Now of course, sans bayonet, bomb or blunderbuss, I don't cut a very war-like figure in the eyes of my two sons and it's rather difficult for me to explain to them how I helped win the last war peeling potatoes.

So at the ripe and feeble old age of 41 I face the microphones and loudspeakers of the country again.

Imagine my delight, then, when when I was signed for a new radio program and was told that it was to be a real vaudeville

series, to be called "Star Spangled Vaudeville."

The combination of vaudeville and radio is indeed a unique one. You never know just who is eavesdropping on your turn before the mike. And after three years away from it, the prospect of returning is a challenge.

Maybe I can illustrate the challenge of the microphone by reporting a little incident which took place recently. For three years I have devoted a great deal of my time to entertaining at various public functions aimed at all kinds of relief. It's not unusual for a radio performer to get the compliments from people who are aware of one's work; but my point is that you run along for years aiming at a target you cannot see and not knowing whether or not you have managed to hit the bullseye. But it is difficult to know whether you have managed to touch effectively the lives of your countrymen. Recently I found out that I had at least succeeded in one case and that's what made me happy.

I emceed a rally in Central Park, New York, to celebrate MacArthur Day. When I came on the shell where the performers and speakers were gathered, I was introduced to Mrs. Colin Kelly, the gallant widow of a gallant guy. When my name was mentioned to her, she said, "Oh, Mr. O'Keefe, I'm so glad to meet you. Colin enjoyed your work so very much."

Whereupon Mrs. Kelly went on to discuss individual bits she remembered listening to with Colin and I must confess it gave me a wallop to know that there had been some little fragile link and tie-up between Colin Kelly and me.

Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Olson

You folks recall the old quip about robbing Peter to pay Paul. My Uncle Henry used to say the situation would be alternated materially by your relationship to either party and by due consideration as to which party was the better able to withstand the lack of whatever it was you were pilfering from the want of something with which to reduce your indebtedness.

Well, this is what I really had in mind. The recommendations of lawn authorities is to leave clippings on the lawn. This returns much needed humus to the soil and aids in conserving moisture for the grass. Under present circumstances, I'm thinking we could rob the grass (Peter, in other words) to help out the home vegetable garden (represented as Paul). Many home gardeners feel that if they apply fertilizer to a garden, that's all that is necessary. It's been my observation that in more cases than not, home vegetable gardens need humus and lawn clippings taken off of the lawn and spread under in the garden will add this much needed humus and some slowly available nitrogen for our vegetable crops next year.

Ralph Donaldson, who is the fertilizer man at the State College in Amherst, tells me that the fertilizer companies are going to reduce the number of grades and that fertilizers will run low in nitrogen. So instead of the old standby of a 5-8-7 for home gardens, we're going to get something like 4-10-10. He agrees with me that humus added to the soil is going to be mighty important

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The other thing I had in mind for securing humus was to save the fall leaves and make compost rather than burn them or let them blow into someone else's yard. We need that humus and fertility.

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